Exercise

We will be using a database with data about some of Pixar's classic movies for most of our exercises. This first exercise will only involve the **Movies** table, and the default query below currently shows all the properties of each movie. To continue onto the next lesson, alter the query to find the exact information we need for each task.

Table: Movies

Id	Title	Director	Year	Length_minutes
1	Toy Story	John Lasseter	1995	81
2	A Bug's Life	John Lasseter	1998	95
3	Toy Story 2	John Lasseter	1999	93
4	Monsters, Inc.	Pete Docter	2001	92
5	Finding Nemo	Andrew Stanton	2003	107
6	The Incredibles	Brad Bird	2004	116
7	Cars	John Lasseter	2006	117
8	Ratatouille	Brad Bird	2007	115
9	WALL-E	Andrew Stanton	2008	104
10	Up	Pete Docter	2009	101

```
SELECT *   FROM movies;
```

RESET

Exercise 1 — Tasks

1. Find the `title` of each film ✓
2. Find the `director` of each film ✓
3. Find the `title` and `director` of each film ✓
4. Find the `title` and `year` of each film ✓
5. Find `all` the information about each film ✓

Stuck? Read this task's Solution.
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Exercise

Using the right constraints, find the information we need from the **Movies** table for each task below.

Table: Movies

Title	Year
Toy Story	1995
A Bug's Life	1998
Toy Story 2	1999
Monsters, Inc.	2001
Finding Nemo	2003

```
SELECT title, year FROM movies
WHERE year <= 2003;
```

RESET

Exercise 2 — Tasks

1. Find the movie with a row `id` of 6 ✓
2. Find the movies released in the `year`s between 2000 and 2010 ✓
3. Find the movies **not** released in the `year`s between 2000 and 2010 ✓
4. Find the first 5 Pixar movies and their release `year` ✓

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Table: Movies

Id	Title	Director	Year	Length_minutes
9	WALL-E	Andrew Stanton	2008	104
87	WALL-G	Brenda Chapman	2042	97

```
SELECT * FROM movies where Title Like "WALL-%";
```

RESET

Exercise 3 — Tasks

1. Find all the Toy Story movies ✓
2. Find all the movies directed by John Lasseter ✓
3. Find all the movies (and director) not directed by John Lasseter ✓
4. Find all the WALL-* movies ✓

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Exercise

There are a few concepts in this lesson, but all are pretty straight-forward to apply. To spice things up, we've gone and scrambled the **Movies** table for you in the exercise to better mimic what kind of data you might see in real life. Try and use the necessary keywords and clauses introduced above in your queries.

Table: Movies

Id	Title	Director	Year	Length_minutes
10	Monsters University	Dan Scanlon	2013	110
3	Monsters, Inc.	Pete Docter	2001	92
1	Ratatouille	Brad Bird	2007	115
2	The Incredibles	Brad Bird	2004	116
6	Toy Story	John Lasseter	1995	81

```
SELECT * FROM movies order By Title limit 5 offset 5;
```

RESET

Exercise 4 — Tasks

1. List all directors of Pixar movies (alphabetically), without duplicates ✓
2. List the last four Pixar movies released (ordered from most recent to least) ✓
3. List the **first** five Pixar movies sorted alphabetically ✓
4. List the **next** five Pixar movies sorted alphabetically ✓

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Try and write some queries to find the information requested in the tasks you know. You may have to use a different combination of clauses in your query for each task. Once you're done, continue onto the next lesson to learn about queries that span multiple tables.

Table: North_american_cities

City	Population	Country
Chicago	2718782	United States
Houston	2195914	United States

```
SELECT city, population,Country FROM north_american_cities
where Country="United States"
order by population DESC
limit 2
offset 2
;
```

RESET

Review 1 — Tasks

1. List all the Canadian cities and their populations ✓
2. Order all the cities in the United States by their latitude from north to south ✓
3. List all the cities west of Chicago, ordered from west to east ✓
4. List the two largest cities in Mexico (by population) ✓
5. List the third and fourth largest cities (by population) in the United States and their population ✓

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Next – SQL Lesson 6: Multi-table queries with JOINs
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Table: Movies (Read-Only)

Id	Title	Director	Year	Length_minutes
1	Toy Story	John Lasseter	1995	81
2	A Bug's Life	John Lasseter	1998	95
3	Toy Story 2	John Lasseter	1999	93
4	Monsters, Inc.	Pete Docter	2001	92
5	Finding Nemo	Andrew Stanton	2003	107
6	The Incredibles	Brad Bird	2004	116

Table: Boxoffice (Read-Only)

Movie_id	Rating	Domestic_sales	International_sales
5	8.2	380843261	555900000
14	7.4	268492764	475066843
8	8	206445654	417277164
12	6.4	191452396	368400000
3	7.9	245852179	239163000
6	8	261441092	370001000

Query Results

Title	Rating
WALL-E	8.5
Toy Story 3	8.4
Toy Story	8.3
Up	8.3
Finding Nemo	8.2
Monsters, Inc.	8.1
Ratatouille	8
The Incredibles	8
Toy Story 2	7.9
Monsters University	7.4

```
SELECT title, rating
FROM movies
  JOIN boxoffice
    ON movies.id = boxoffice.movie_id
ORDER BY rating DESC;
```

RESET

Exercise 6 — Tasks

1. Find the domestic and international sales for each movie ✓
2. Show the sales numbers for each movie that did better internationally rather than domestically ✓
3. List all the movies by their ratings in descending order ✓

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Query Results

Building_name	Role
1e	Engineer
1e	Manager
1w	
2e	
2w	Artist
2w	Manager

```
SELECT DISTINCT building_name, role
FROM buildings
  LEFT JOIN employees
    ON building_name = building;
```

RESET

Exercise 7 — Tasks

1. Find the list of all buildings that have employees ✓
2. Find the list of all buildings and their capacity ✓
3. List all buildings and the distinct employee roles in each building (including empty buildings) ✓

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Next – SQL Lesson 8: A short note on NULLs
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Table: Buildings (Read-Only)

Building_name	Capacity
1e	24
1w	32
2e	16
2w	20

Table: Employees (Read-Only)

Role	Name	Building	Years_employed
Engineer	Becky A.	1e	4
Engineer	Dan B.	1e	2
Engineer	Sharon F.	1e	6
Engineer	Dan M.	1e	4
Engineer	Malcom S.	1e	1
Artist	Tylar S.	2w	2

Query Results

Building_name
1w
2e

```
SELECT DISTINCT building_name
FROM buildings
  LEFT JOIN employees
    ON building_name = building
WHERE role IS NULL;
```

RESET

Exercise 8 — Tasks

1. Find the name and role of all employees who have not been assigned to a building ✓
2. Find the names of the buildings that hold no employees ✓

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Movie_id	Rating	Domestic_sales	International_sales
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3	7.9	245852179	239163000
6	8	261441092	370001000

Query Results

Title	Year
A Bug's Life	1998
The Incredibles	2004
Cars	2006
WALL-E	2008
Toy Story 3	2010
Brave	2012

```
SELECT title, year
FROM movies
WHERE year % 2 = 0;
```

RESET

Exercise 9 — Tasks

1. List all movies and their combined sales in **millions** of dollars ✓
2. List all movies and their ratings **in percent** ✓
3. List all movies that were released on even number years ✓

Stuck? Read this task's Solution.
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The **GROUP BY** clause works by grouping rows that have the same value in the column specified.

Exercise

For this exercise, we are going to work with our **Employees** table. Notice how the rows in this table have shared data, which will give us an opportunity to use aggregate functions to summarize some high-level metrics about the teams. Go ahead and give it a shot.

Table: Employees

Building	Total_years_employed
1e	29
2w	36

```
SELECT building, SUM(years_employed) as Total_years_employed
FROM employees
GROUP BY building;
```

RESET

Exercise 10 — Tasks

1. Find the longest time that an employee has been at the studio ✓
2. For each role, find the average number of years employed by employees in that role ✓
3. Find the total number of employee years worked in each building ✓

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Exercise

For this exercise, you are going to dive deeper into **Employee** data at the film studio. Think about the different clauses you want to apply for each task.

Table: Employees

Role	SUM(Years_employed)
Engineer	17

```
SELECT role, SUM(years_employed)
FROM employees
GROUP BY role
HAVING role = "Engineer";
```

RESET

Exercise 11 — Tasks

1. Find the number of Artists in the studio (without a **HAVING** clause) ✓
2. Find the number of Employees of each role in the studio ✓
3. Find the total number of years employed by all Engineers ✓

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Next – SQL Lesson 12: Order of execution of a Query
Previous – SQL Lesson 10: Queries with aggregates (Pt. 1)

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Id	Title	Director	Year	Length_minutes
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Movie_id	Rating	Domestic_sales	International_sales
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6	8	261441092	370001000

Query Results

Director	Cumulative_sales_from_all_movies
Andrew Stanton	1458055121
Brad Bird	1255164910
Brenda Chapman	538983207
Dan Scanlon	743559607
John Lasseter	2232208025
Lee Unkrich	1063171911
Pete Docter	1294159000

```
SELECT director, SUM(domestic_sales + international_sales) as
    Cumulative_sales_from_all_movies
FROM movies
    INNER JOIN boxoffice
        ON movies.id = boxoffice.movie_id
GROUP BY director;
```

RESET

Exercise 12 — Tasks

1. Find the number of movies each director has directed ✓
2. Find the total domestic and international sales that can be attributed to each director ✓

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Next – SQL Lesson 13: Inserting rows
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id	Title	Director	Year	Length_minutes
1	Toy Story	John Lasseter	1995	81
2	A Bug's Life	John Lasseter	1998	95
3	Toy Story 2	John Lasseter	1999	93
4	Toy Story 4	El Directore	2015	90

Movie_id	Rating	Domestic_sales	International_sales
3	7.9	245852179	239163000
1	8.3	191796233	170162503
2	7.2	162798565	200600000
4	8.7	340000000	270000000

Query Results

Movie_id	Rating	Domestic_sales	International_sales
3	7.9	245852179	239163000
1	8.3	191796233	170162503
2	7.2	162798565	200600000
4	8.7	340000000	270000000

RUN QUERY RESET

Exercise 13 — Tasks

1. Add the studio's new production, **Toy Story 4** to the list of movies (you can use any director) ✓
2. Toy Story 4 has been released to critical acclaim! It had a rating of **8.7**, and made **340 million domestically** and **270 million internationally**. Add the record to the `BoxOffice` table. ✓

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Next – SQL Lesson 14: Updating rows
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Exercise

It looks like some of the information in our **Movies** database might be incorrect, so go ahead and fix them through the exercises below.

Table: Movies

Id	Title	Director	Year	Length_minutes
1	Toy Story	John Lasseter	1995	81
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9	WALL-E	Andrew Stanton	2008	104
10	Up	Pete Docter	2009	101

RUN QUERY RESET

Exercise 14 — Tasks

1. The director for A Bug's Life is incorrect, it was actually directed by **John Lasseter** ✓
2. The year that Toy Story 2 was released is incorrect, it was actually released in **1999** ✓
3. Both the title and director for Toy Story 8 is incorrect! The title should be "Toy Story 3" and it was directed by **Lee Unkrich** ✓

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Next – SQL Lesson 15: Deleting rows
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Like the **UPDATE** statement from last lesson, it's recommended that you run the constraint in a **SELECT** query first to ensure that you are removing the right rows. Without a proper backup or test database, it is downright easy to irrevocably remove data, so always read your **DELETE** statements twice and execute once.

Exercise

The database needs to be cleaned up a little bit, so try and delete a few rows in the tasks below.

Table: Movies

Id	Title	Director	Year	Length_minutes
7	Cars	John Lasseter	2006	117
8	Ratatouille	Brad Bird	2007	115
10	Up	Pete Docter	2009	101
11	Toy Story 3	Lee Unkrich	2010	103
12	Cars 2	John Lasseter	2011	120
13	Brave	Brenda Chapman	2012	102
14	Monsters University	Dan Scanlon	2013	110

Exercise 15 — Tasks

1. This database is getting too big, lets remove all movies that were released **before** 2005. ✓
2. Andrew Stanton has also left the studio, so please remove all movies directed by him. ✓

Stuck? Read this task's Solution.
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Next – SQL Lesson 16: Creating tables
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In this exercise, you'll need to create a new table for us to insert some new rows into.

Table: Database

Name	Version	Download_count
SQLite	3.9	92000000
MySQL	5.5	512000000
Postgres	9.4	384000000

RUN QUERY RESET

Exercise 16 — Tasks

1. Create a new table named **`Database`** with the following columns:
   – **`Name`** A string (text) describing the name of the database
   – **`Version`** A number (floating point) of the latest version of this database
   – **`Download_count`** An integer count of the number of times this database was downloaded

   This table has no constraints. ✓

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Table: Movies

Id	Title	Director	Year	Length_minutes	Aspect_ratio	Language
1	Toy Story	John Lasseter	1995	81	2.39	English
2	A Bug's Life	John Lasseter	1998	95	2.39	English
3	Toy Story 2	John Lasseter	1999	93	2.39	English
4	Monsters, Inc.	Pete Docter	2001	92	2.39	English
5	Finding Nemo	Andrew Stanton	2003	107	2.39	English
6	The Incredibles	Brad Bird	2004	116	2.39	English
7	Cars	John Lasseter	2006	117	2.39	English
8	Ratatouille	Brad Bird	2007	115	2.39	English
9	WALL-E	Andrew Stanton	2008	104	2.39	English
10	Up	Pete Docter	2009	101	2.39	English

RUN QUERY RESET

Exercise 17 — Tasks

1. Add a column named **Aspect_ratio** with a **FLOAT** data type to store the aspect-ratio each movie was released in. ✓
2. Add another column named **Language** with a **TEXT** data type to store the language that the movie was released in. Ensure that the default for this language is **English**. ✓

Stuck? Read this task's Solution.
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SQL Lesson X: To infinity and beyond!

You've finished the tutorial!

We hope the lessons have given you a bit more experience with SQL and a bit more confidence to use SQL with your own data.

We've just brushed the surface of what SQL is capable of, so to get a better idea of how SQL can be used in the real world, we'll be adding more articles in the More Topics part of the site. If you have the time, we recommend that you continue to dive deeper into SQL!

If you need further details, it's also recommended that you read the documentation for the specific database that you are using, especially since each database has its own set of features and optimizations.

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